

African Spider (Araneae) Type Specimens in the Collection of the National Museums of Kenya

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Abstract. Type specimens of four species of spiders belonging to two families are held in the collection of the Invertebrate section of the Zoology Department of the National Museums of Kenya. These specimens comprise two holotypes and 15 paratypes.

Key words. Type specimens, spiders, Araneae, NMK Nairobi

INTRODUCTION

This paper presents a list of spider (Araneae) type specimens held in the collection of the National Museums of Kenya, Invertebrate section of the Zoology Department (NMK). All locality information is based on GPS readings at the time of collection. Only two families are represented in this paper. Although the Araneae collection at the museum is old, most of the past and even recently described material is yet to be deposited at the museum by the authors concerned. This study reports the available type material which was deposited in the last decade. It comprises two holotypes and 15 paratypes. The species within families are listed alphabetically by specific or sub-specific epithet, followed by the full name with author, year of original publication, and page number of the description. For each species, the holotypes if in NMK are listed first, followed by secondary types. All types are listed with full locality information. This information includes names and geo-references of the collection sites, surname and initials of the collector(s), and the dates of collection.

ARANEAE

Gallieniellidae

rogoae, *Toxoniella rogoae* Warui & Jocqué, 2002: 312

HT ♂: Kenya: Taita Hills, Ngangao Forest, 3°22'S, 38°20'E, 1750 m, mountain forest, L. Rogo, 15.vii.1998

1 PT ♀: Kenya: Taita, Ngangao forest, 3°22'S, 38°20'E, 1720 m, R. Jocque & C. Warui, 24–26.iii.2000

taitensis, *Toxoniella taitensis* Warui & Jocqué, 2002: 309

HT ♀: Kenya: Taita Hills, Ngangao mixed forest, 3°22'S, 38°20'E, L. Rogo, 15.vii.1998

1 PT ♀: Kenya: Taita, Yale forest, 3°39'S, 38°33'E, 1800 m, 6.xii.1999, D. van den Spiegel & J. Michiels

3 PT ♀: Kenya: Taita, 3°39'S, 38°33'E, J. Michiels

Salticidae

culicivora, *Evarcha culicivora* Wesolowska & Jackson, 2003: 335

HT in Musée royal de l'Afrique centrale (MRAC)

5 PT ♂, **2 PT** ♀: Kenya: Mbita, 0°25'S, 34°13'E, East shore of Lake Victoria, R. Jackson

melanotarsa, *Myrmarachne melanotarsa* Wesolowska & Salm, 2002: 410

Holotype in Florida State Collection of Arthropods, Gainesville

1 PT ♂, **2 PT** ♀: Kenya: Mbita point, 0°25'S, 34°13'E, East shore of Lake Victoria, R. Jackson, ii.1998

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